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SENATE BILL

No. 1303

Introduced by Senator Runner

February 16, 2006

An act to amend Section 48800 of the Education Code, relating to pupils.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1303, as amended, Runner. Pupils: concurrent enrollment: high school: community college.

Existing law establishes the California Community Colleges under the administration of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges. Existing law authorizes the establishment of community college districts under the administration of community college governing boards, and authorizes these districts to provide instruction at community college campuses throughout the state.

Existing law authorizes the governing board of a school district, upon recommendation of the principal of a pupil's school of attendance, and with parental consent, to authorize a pupil who would benefit from advanced scholastic or vocational work to attend community college as a special part-time student to undertake one or more courses of instruction at the community college level in order to provide educational enrichment opportunities for a limited number of eligible pupils.

Existing law prohibits a principal from recommending, for any particular grade level, for community college summer session attendance, more than 5% of the total number of pupils who completed that grade immediately prior to the time of

recommendation. Existing law exempts from the specified 5% a pupil recommended by his or her principal for enrollment in a college-level advanced scholastic summer session course or vocational community college summer session course, if all of the specified criteria are met.

This bill, instead, would exempt from the ~~specified 5% limitation~~ a pupil recommended by his or her principal for enrollment in a ~~college-level advanced scholastic summer session course or vocational community college summer session course, if~~ *course that does not offer college credit in English language arts or mathematics, but is necessary to assist specified pupils pass the California High School Exit Exam, and the principal who makes the recommendation provides ~~specified~~ certain data to the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, as specified, and any one, or more, of the specified criteria is met.*

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 48800 of the Education Code is
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 48800. (a) The governing board of a school district may
- 4 determine which pupils would benefit from advanced scholastic
- 5 or vocational work. The intent of this section is to provide
- 6 educational enrichment opportunities for a limited number of
- 7 eligible pupils, rather than to reduce current course requirements
- 8 of elementary and secondary schools, and also to help ensure a
- 9 smoother transition from high school to college for pupils by
- 10 providing them with greater exposure to the collegiate
- 11 atmosphere. The governing board may authorize those pupils,
- 12 upon recommendation of the principal of the pupil's school of
- 13 attendance, and with parental consent, to attend a community
- 14 college during any session or term as special part-time or
- 15 full-time students and to undertake one or more courses of
- 16 instruction offered at the community college level.
- 17 (b) If the governing board denies a request for a special
- 18 part-time or full-time enrollment at a community college for any
- 19 session or term for a pupil who is identified as highly gifted, the
- 20 board shall issue its written recommendation and the reasons for
- 21 the denial within 60 days. The written recommendation and

1 denial shall be issued at the next regularly scheduled board
2 meeting that falls at least 30 days after the request has been
3 submitted.

4 (c) A pupil shall receive credit for community college courses
5 that he or she completes at the level determined appropriate by
6 the school district and community college district governing
7 boards.

8 (d) (1) The principal of a school may recommend a pupil for
9 community college summer session only if that pupil meets all of
10 the following criteria:

11 (A) Demonstrates adequate preparation in the discipline to be
12 studied.

13 (B) Exhausts all opportunities to enroll in an equivalent
14 course, if any, at his or her school of attendance.

15 (2) For any particular grade level, a principal may not
16 recommend for community college summer session attendance
17 more than 5 percent of the total number of pupils who completed
18 that grade immediately prior to the time of recommendation.

19 ~~(3) A pupil recommended by his or her principal for~~
20 ~~enrollment in a college-level advanced scholastic summer session~~
21 ~~course or in a vocational community college summer session~~
22 ~~course shall not be included in determining the 5 percent~~
23 ~~limitation under paragraph (2) if the high school principal who~~
24 ~~makes the recommendation provides data to the Chancellor of the~~
25 ~~California Community Colleges, upon the request of that office,~~
26 ~~for purposes of the annual report required by paragraph (5) and~~
27 ~~any one, or more, of the following criteria is met:~~

28 ~~(A) The course is offered by a middle college high school or~~
29 ~~an early college high school, as defined by paragraph (4):~~

30 ~~(B) The course meets one of the following criteria:~~

31 *(3) A high school pupil recommended by his or her principal*
32 *for enrollment in a course shall not be included in the 5 percent*
33 *limitation of pupils allowed to be recommended pursuant to*
34 *paragraph (2) if the course in which the pupil is enrolled meets*
35 *one of the criterion listed in subparagraphs (A) to (C), inclusive,*
36 *and the high school principal who recommends the pupil for*
37 *enrollment provides the Chancellor of the California Community*
38 *Colleges, upon the request of that office, with the data required*
39 *for purposes of paragraph (5).*

1 *However, no apportionment of funds may be made to the*
2 *Chancellor unless the pupil recommended for enrollment*
3 *receives a passing grade in the course.*

4 ~~(i) It~~

5 (A) ~~The course~~ is a ~~for-credit~~, lower division, college-level
6 course *for credit* that is designated as part of the Intersegmental
7 General Education Transfer Curriculum or applies toward the
8 general education breadth requirements of the California State
9 University.

10 ~~(ii)–~~

11 (B) The course is a ~~for-credit~~, college-level, occupational
12 course *for credit* assigned a Priority code of “A,” “B,” or “C,”
13 pursuant to the Student Accountability Model, as defined by the
14 Chancellor of the California Community Colleges and reported
15 in the management information system, and the course is part of
16 a sequence of vocational or career technical education courses
17 leading to a degree or certificate in the subject area covered by
18 the sequence.

19 ~~(4) For purposes of this section, a “middle college high~~
20 ~~school” or an “early college high school” means a high school~~
21 ~~that meets all of the following criteria:~~

22 (A) ~~The school has an enrollment of 400 or fewer pupils, and~~
23 ~~is recognized by the department and by the Chancellor of the~~
24 ~~California Community Colleges as a district school that has been~~
25 ~~assigned a County-District-School code by the department.~~

26 (B) ~~The school’s program is sponsored by a legally binding~~
27 ~~memorandum of understanding or similar formal agreement~~
28 ~~between a sponsoring local educational agency and a community~~
29 ~~college district that establishes cogovernance and resource~~
30 ~~allocation policies and procedures for the cosponsored school.~~

31 (C) ~~The school serves cohorts of pupils in a coherent high~~
32 ~~school and community college program of study that includes, as~~
33 ~~a clearly identified outcome for each pupil, a high school~~
34 ~~diploma and achievement of, or preparation for, completion of an~~
35 ~~associate degree, eligibility for transfer to a four-year college or~~
36 ~~university, or completion of a community college certificate~~
37 ~~program in a vocational, technical, or business occupation.~~

38 (C) *The course is necessary to assist a pupil who has not*
39 *passed the California High School Exit Examination (CAHSEE),*
40 *does not offer college credit in English language arts or*

1 *mathematics, and the pupil meets both of the following*
2 *requirements:*

3 *(i) The pupil is in his or her senior year.*

4 *(ii) The pupil has completed all other graduation requirements*
5 *prior to the end of his or her senior year, or will complete all*
6 *remaining graduation requirements during a community college*
7 *summer session, which he or she is recommended to enroll in,*
8 *following his or her senior year of high school.*

9 (5) On or before January 1, 2007, and on or before January 1
10 of each year thereafter, the Chancellor of the California
11 Community Colleges shall report to the Department of Finance
12 the number of pupils recommended pursuant to paragraph (3)
13 who enroll in community college summer session courses.

14 (6) The Board of Governors of the California Community
15 Colleges may not include enrollment growth attributable to
16 paragraph (3) as part of its annual budget request for the
17 California Community Colleges.

18 (7) Notwithstanding Article 3 (commencing with Section
19 33050) of Chapter 1 of Part 20, compliance with this subdivision
20 may not be waived.

21 (e) Paragraphs (3), (4), *and* (5), ~~and (6)~~ of subdivision (d) shall
22 become inoperative on January 1, 2011.